



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Bruce Steinberg

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/730,482

FILING DATE: 12/08/2003

FOR: System and Method for Noninvasively Evaluating a
Limb Suspected of Compartment Syndrome

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 062365.00006

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT UNDER RULE 1.97

As listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, Applicant submits herewith copies of the patents, publications or other information of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 CFR 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability or that no other material information exists.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner.



By: Michael J. Colitz, III

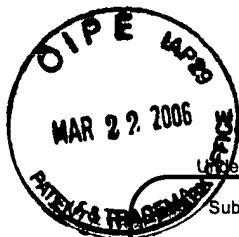
Michael J. Colitz, III
Registration No. 37,010
Holland & Knight LLP
Suite 4100
100 North Tampa Street
Tampa, Florida 33602-3644
Telephone: 813/227-8500
Facsimile: 813/229-0134

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing was placed in an envelope and mailed via U.S. Express Mail, postage prepaid to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this the 22nd day of March, 2006.

Michael J. Colitz, III
Michael J. Colitz, III

1859824_v1



PTO/SB/08A (07-05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/730,482
Filing Date	12/08/2003
First Named Inventor	Bruce Steinberg
Art Unit	3736
Examiner Name	Marmor II, Charles Alan
Attorney Docket Number	062365.00006

Sheet 1 of 2

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
		US- 5,038,795	08-13-1991	Roush et al.	
		US- 5,564,435	10-15-1996	Steinberg	
		US- 4,159,640	07-03-1979	Leveque et al.	
		US- 5,224,469	07-06-1993	Mocny	
		US- 5,879,312	03-09-1999	Imoto	
		US- 6,063,044	05-16-2000	Leonard et al.	
		US- 6,186,962	02-13-2001	Lloyd et al.	
		US- 4,739,769	04-26-1988	Matthews et al.	
		US- 4,817,629	04-04-1989	Davis et al.	
		US- 3,680,386	08-01-1972	Canon	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ *Number ⁴ *Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		Russia 156,649				

Examiner
SignatureDate
Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>		Complete if Known			
		Application Number	10/730,482		
		Filing Date	12/08/2003		
		First Named Inventor	Bruce Steinberg		
		Art Unit	3736		
		Examiner Name	Marmor II, Charles Alan		
Sheet	2	of	2	Attorney Docket Number	062365.00006

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
		WHITESIDE, JR., THOMAS E., "Tissue Pressure Measurements as a Determinant of the Need for Fasciotomy", Clin. Orthop., 113:43, 1975	
		STEINBERG ET AL., BRUCE, "Evaluation of Limb Compartments with Suspected Increased Interstitial Pressure," Clin. Orthop. No. 300, pp. 248-253, 1994	
		HORIKAWA, EBIHORAS, SAKAI F. AKIYAMA M., Non-Invasive Measurement Method for Hardness in Muscular Tissue; Medical & Biological Engineering & Computing - Nov. 1993	
		FISCHER, ANDREW "Tissue Compliance Meter for Objective, Quantitative Documentation of Soft Tissue Consistency and Pathology" Arch Phys Rehabil. Vol. 68, Feb. 1987, pp 122-125	
		CAGIR, BURT, ET AL., "Limb Surface Mechanical Indentation in the Presence of Accumulated Soft Tissue Fluid," New Rochelle Hospital Medical Center, New Rochelle, pp1	
		STEINBERG, BRUCE D. "Evaluation of Limb Compartments with Increased Interstitial Pressure. An Improved Noninvasive Method for Determining Quantitative Hardness" Journal of Biomechanics (2005) 1629-1635	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.